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Re: **AMENDMENT**

ABSTRACT/CLAIM:

A holster, to be worn around the waist of a user, and capable of storing at least one heated object, for instance a basalt lava stone, and at least one receptacle containing a fluid, said holster includes a **thermally insulated compartment with fastening means** and a **thermally non-insulated compartment with fastening means, removable open storage lining** portions for said compartments **with fastening means**, capable of being washed and then re-fastened inside one or both said compartments, said **removable open storage linings are capable of storing** at least one heated object, an **outside storage compartment** for a receptacle containing fluid and an **adjustable sturdy nylon securing means with fastening clip** for securing the holster to the waist of a user that is capable of sustaining weight up to 10 lbs or more.

New claim(s):

21. A method of controlling and maintaining temperature of heated stones for use in massage therapy, wherein said stones are stored in a wearable holster according to claim 18, and wherein the thermally open portion is non-insulated.

22. A method of controlling and maintaining temperature of heated stones for use in massage therapy, wherein said stones are stored in a wearable holster according to claim 19, and wherein the thermally open portion is non-insulated.

23. A method of controlling and maintaining temperature of heated stones for use in massage therapy, wherein said stones are stored in a wearable holster according to claim 20, and wherein the thermally open portion is non-insulated.

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